THE LOVE PROJECT

FINE ART DOCUMENTARY WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHY

VISIT…

We are the husband and wife team behind The LOVE Project.

As documentary photographers, we have seen and photographed some of the most emotionally-draining and heart-wrenching stories. One summer, while photographing inside a prison about the mentally ill, it was too much. We decided that we needed to document something that was a little lighter and full of joy so we began documenting love. It was called The Love Project and we documented people of all ages who were in love.

We documented old love, young love, large families and small families. As we continued the project, we started to look at those moments when love was defined such as births, deaths and weddings. It was fulfilling and rewarding as we loved photographing people on the most important days of their lives.

In 2008, we decided to continue The Love Project and photograph love on one of the most defining days of a relationship, one's wedding. Not only do we hope our photographs spark the memory that you felt when you said your vows, we hope our documentation of love helps generations beyond us know that despite the ills of the world, love still exists and can be defined by those you surround yourself with.

We hope this portfolio gives you a sense of who we are as a couple and photographers.

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BEHIND THE DOCUMENTARY TEAM

We tell stories. That simple sentence sums up everything we work to achieve through our photographs and films. We are trained and driven as documentary photographers and take this same approach to the weddings we photograph.

We document weddings like we do life, capturing beautiful and poetic moments that tell the story of your day. No matter what we're photographing, we work to create images that make you feel. We want you to feel how you felt when you walked down the aisle and the way he looked at you when you were saying your vows. Our hope is that you will relive those feelings every time you see your photos and watch the film.

We have an interesting perspective as a couple photographing weddings. We are in tune with how each other ticks and provide seamless non-intrusive coverage of your day. We've used this team approach on a variety of projects including our work for Miss USA, Miss Universe, The New York Times, and our Emmy-winning prison documentary. Together, we tell a timeless, beautiful and inspired wedding day story.

As a team and married couple, we know and understand the power of shooting images from the heart. You can't photograph what you don't feel. Meaning we value developing a relationship with the people we photograph and we hope it comes across in all of our images. We would like to think of you as more than a client. You're a friend.

Our goal is simple – for our wedding photographs and films to serve as sparks that reignite the love and excitement you felt for each other on your wedding day.

Our wedding in South Nags Head. People often ask who had the nerve-wrenching task of photographing our wedding. Luckily, we have an amazing group of friends who are also great photographers. All the guests said we had the best documented wedding they had ever been to with a team of six photographers shooting photos and video of our day. Photo by Jim Korpi.

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OUR LOVE FOR PHOTOGRAPHY

Imagine if you could do anything you wanted? We are doing just that. We love what we do and couldn't imagine doing anything else. It's pure bliss.

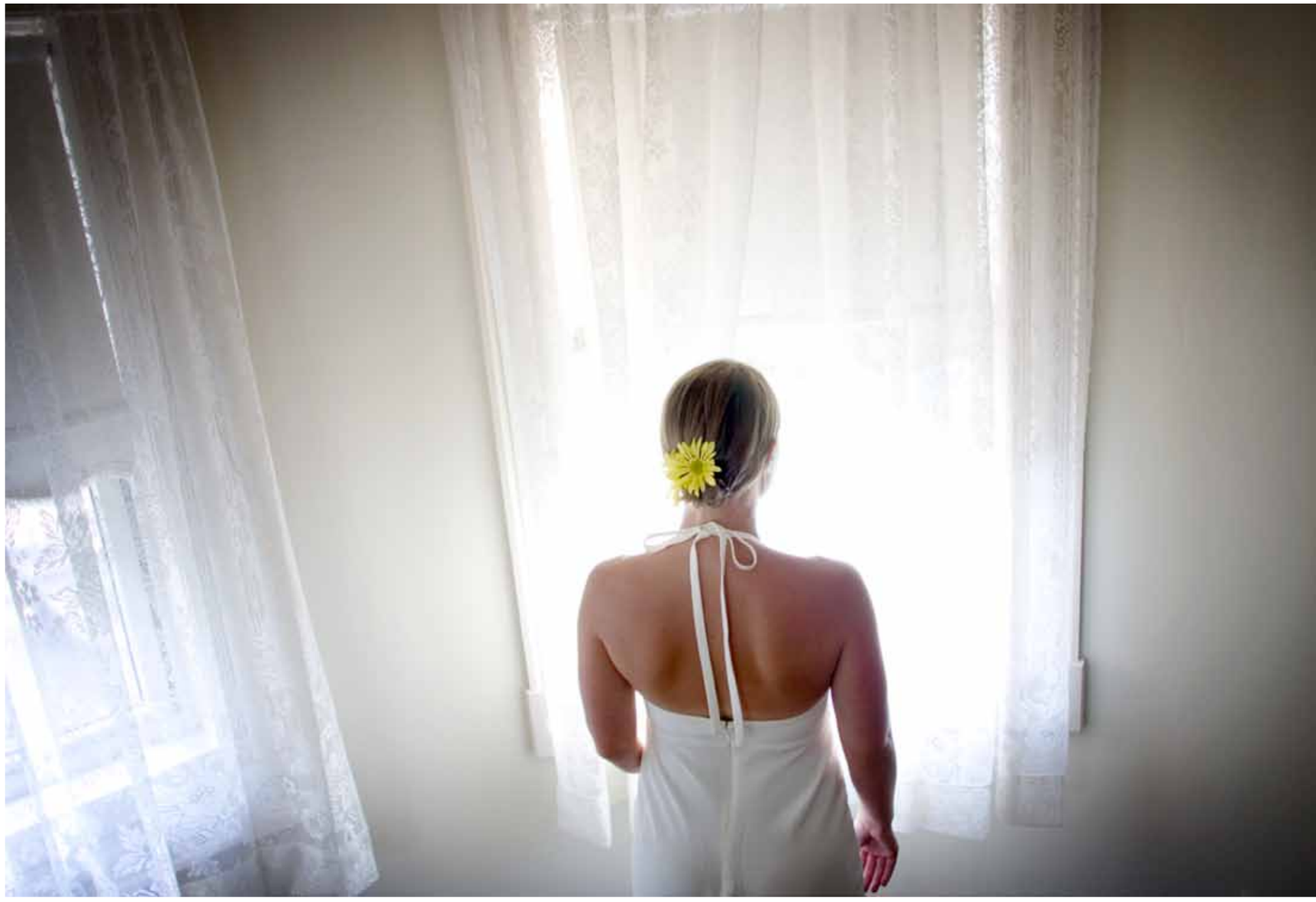
We truly define documentary photographers and filmmakers. We have lived with the homeless for a winter working to capture their struggle. We spent months in prison documenting the mentally ill and elderly inmates. We ate minnows in Africa documenting rural health. We have photographed everything from presidents, Hugh Hefner, the Dallas Cowboys, and everyday citizens with a love for life and we would love to photograph your wedding.

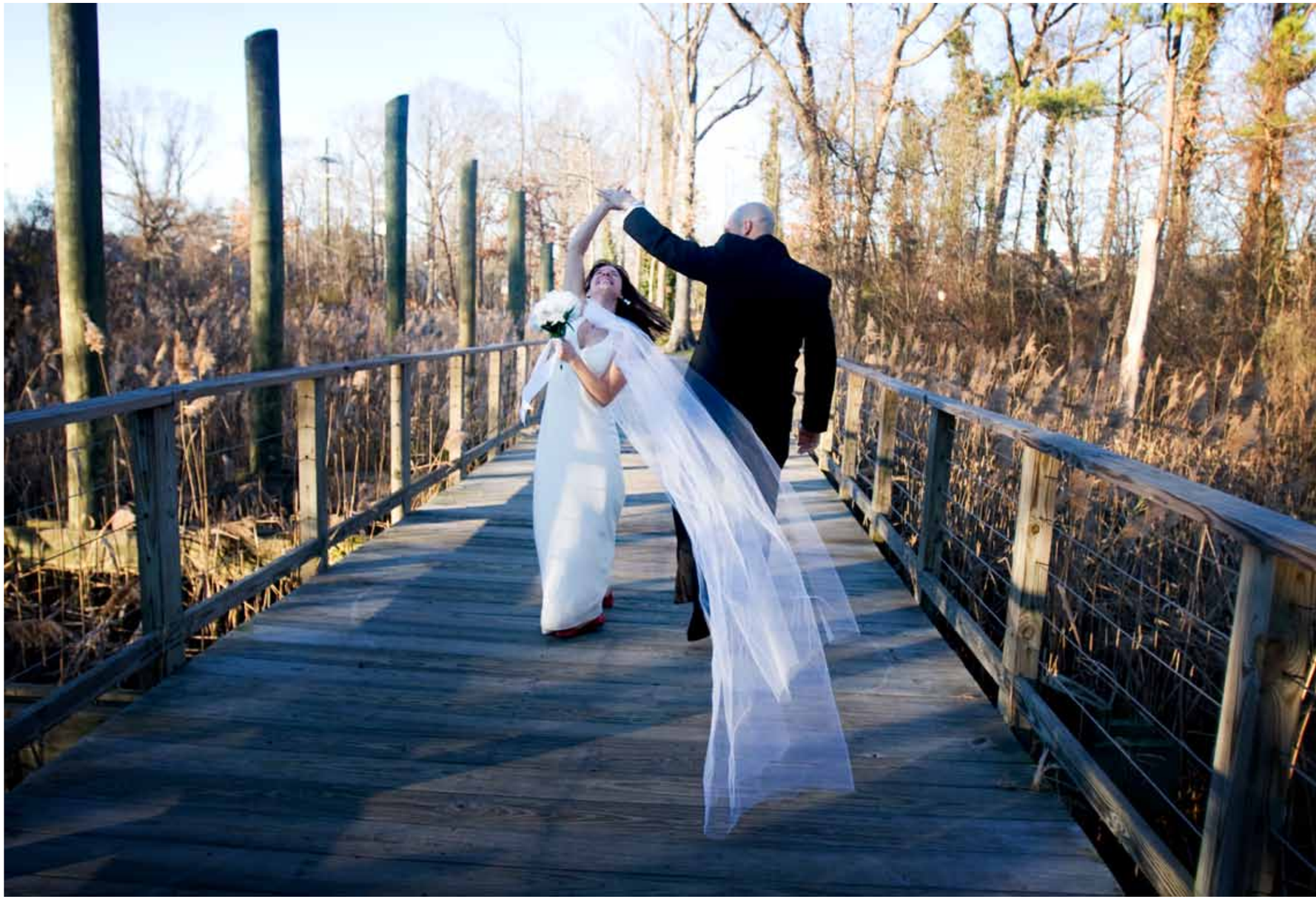
We both have master's degrees from the renowned photography and film program at Ohio University with a focus on documentary photography and filmmaking. Trained as storytellers, our award-winning photos have appeared in publications such as Time Magazine, The Wall Street Journal, The Washington Post, The New York Times, USA Today, Communication Arts, PDN, The Dallas Morning News and many more.

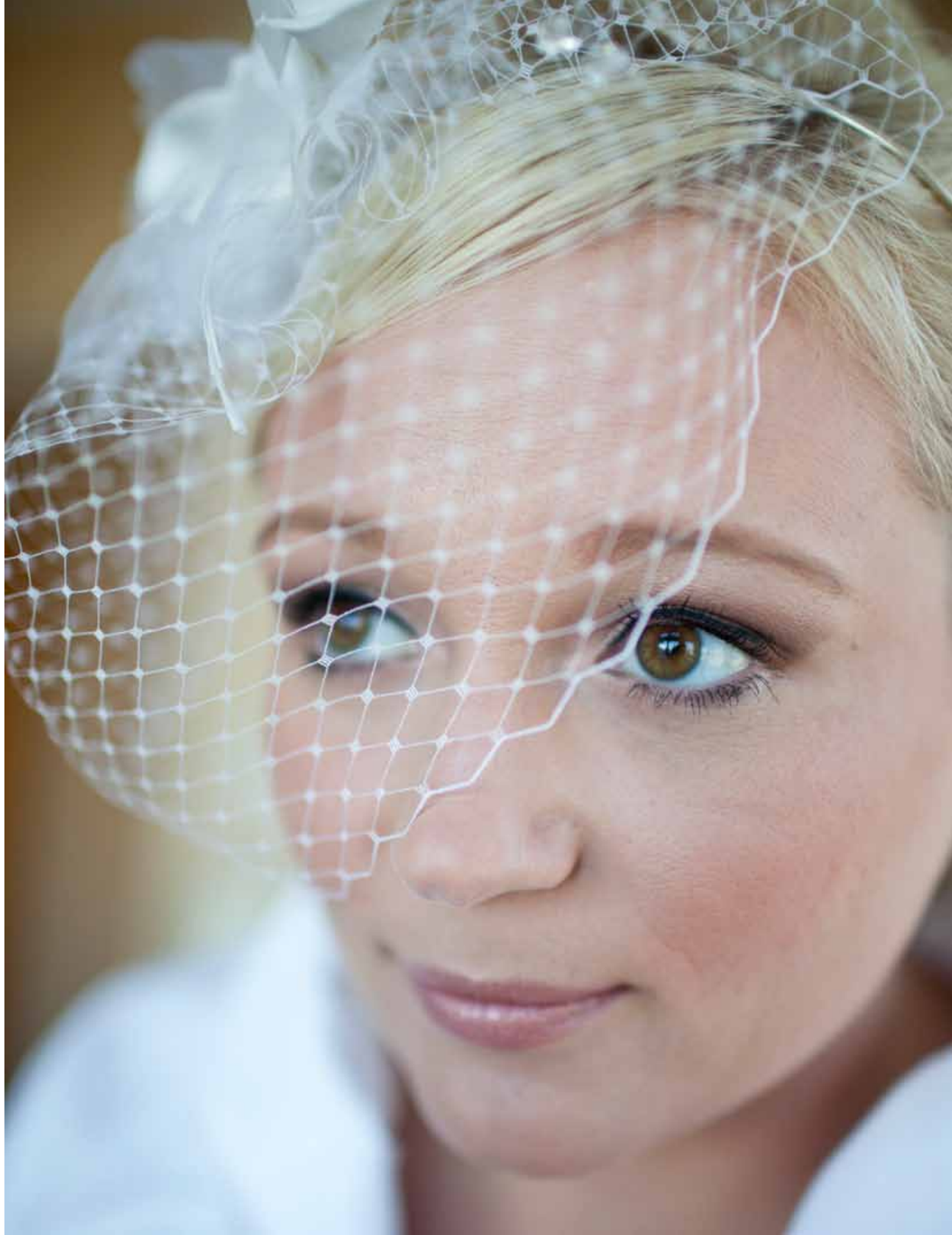
Our documentary films have been screened in film festivals around the country and our most recent film, Trapped: Mental Illness in America's Prisons, won an Emmy.

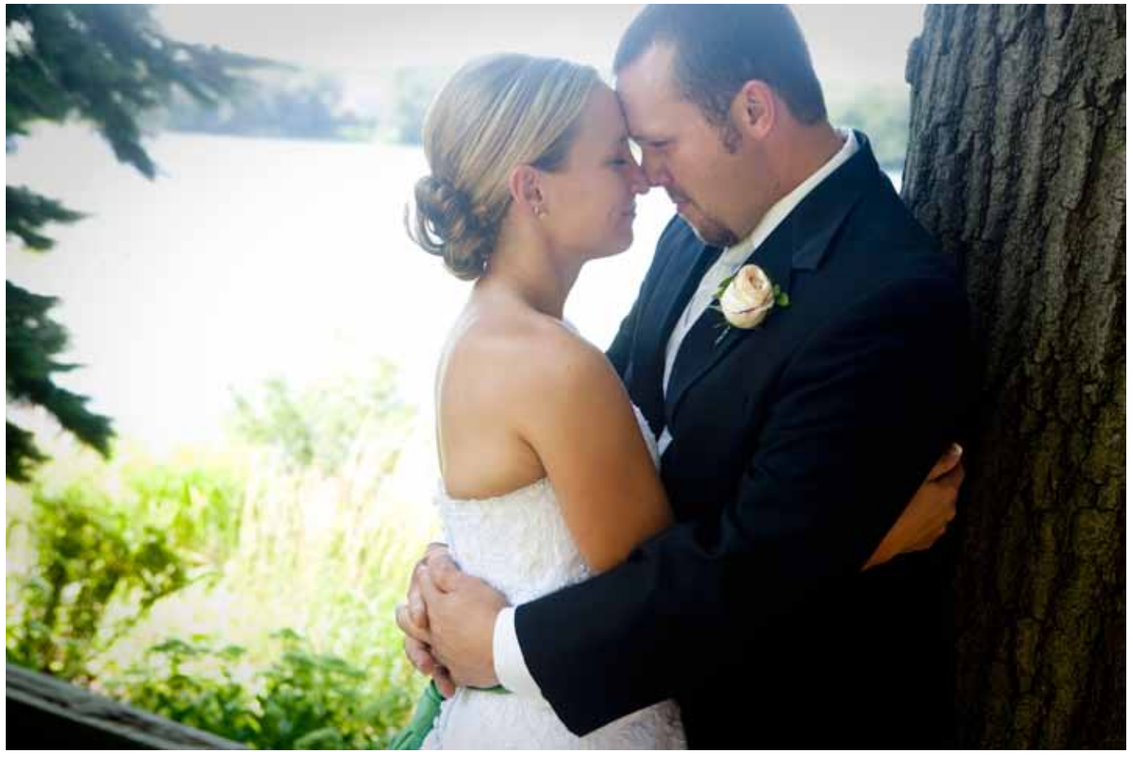
We are very blessed to be doing what we love and we always bring that same passion for photography to your wedding.

(L to R) - Tony, 10, a fifth generation circus clown during one of his acts. Miss Zambia relaxes during the Miss Universe pageant. A portrait of Hugh Hefner. An elderly inmate stares into freedom from our on-going documentary about aging and dying behind bars. Our film about mental illness in prison received an Emmy.









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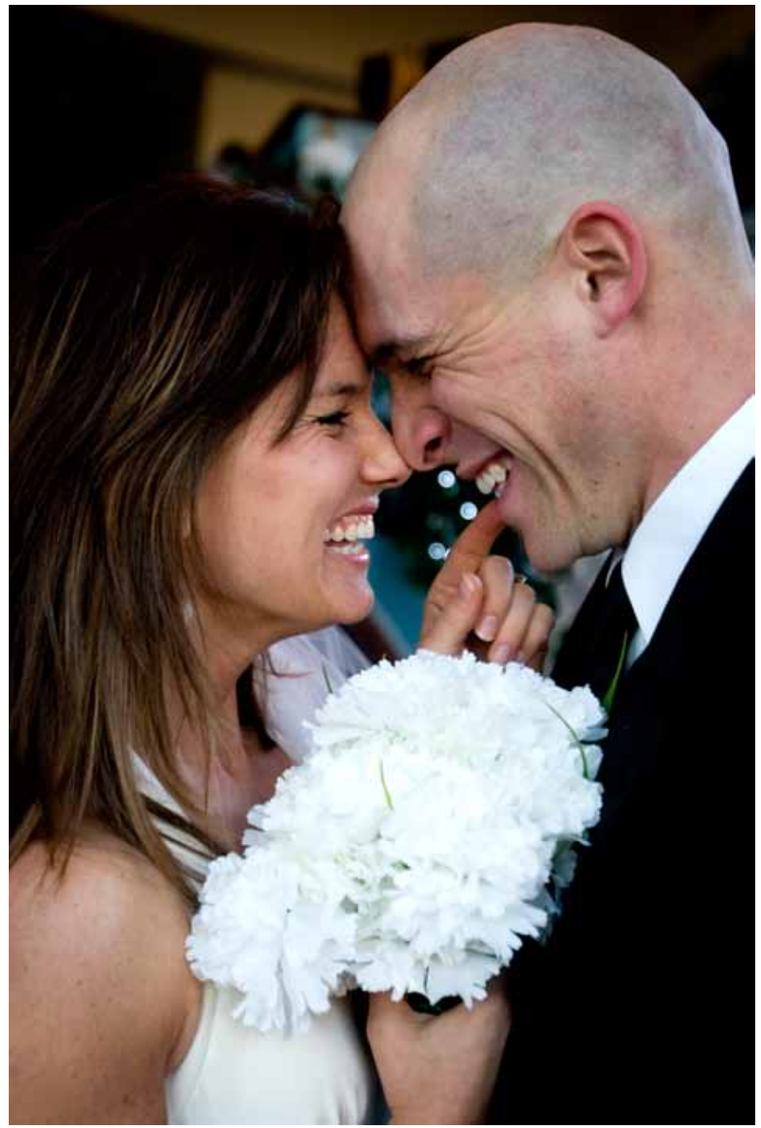

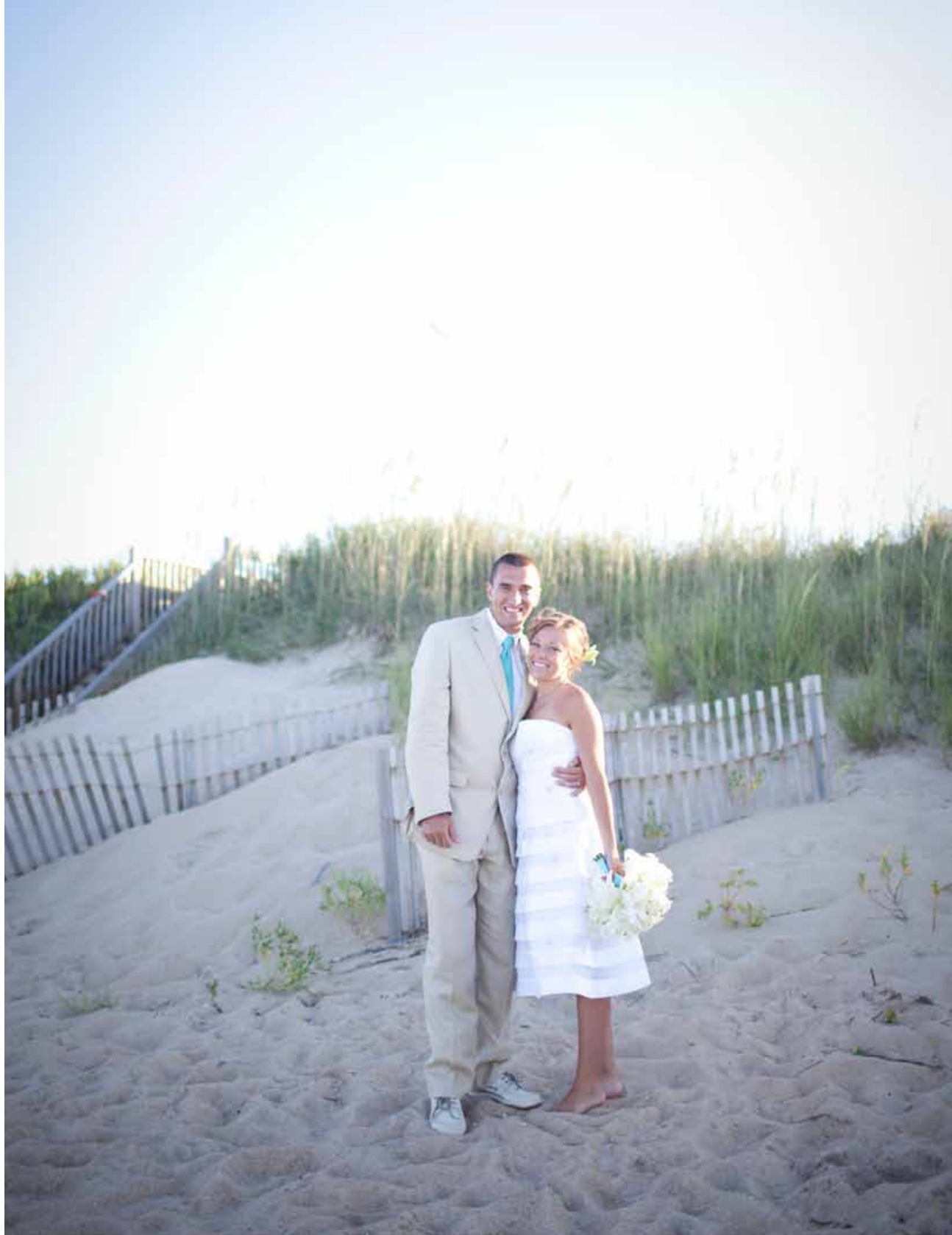

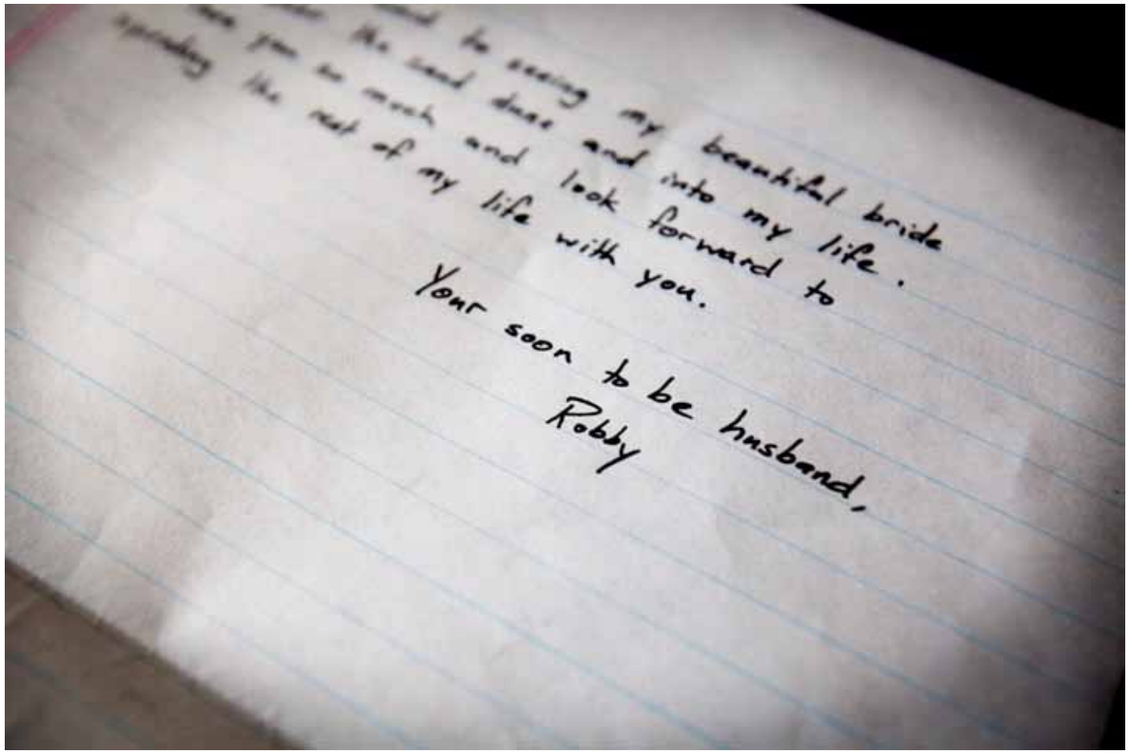
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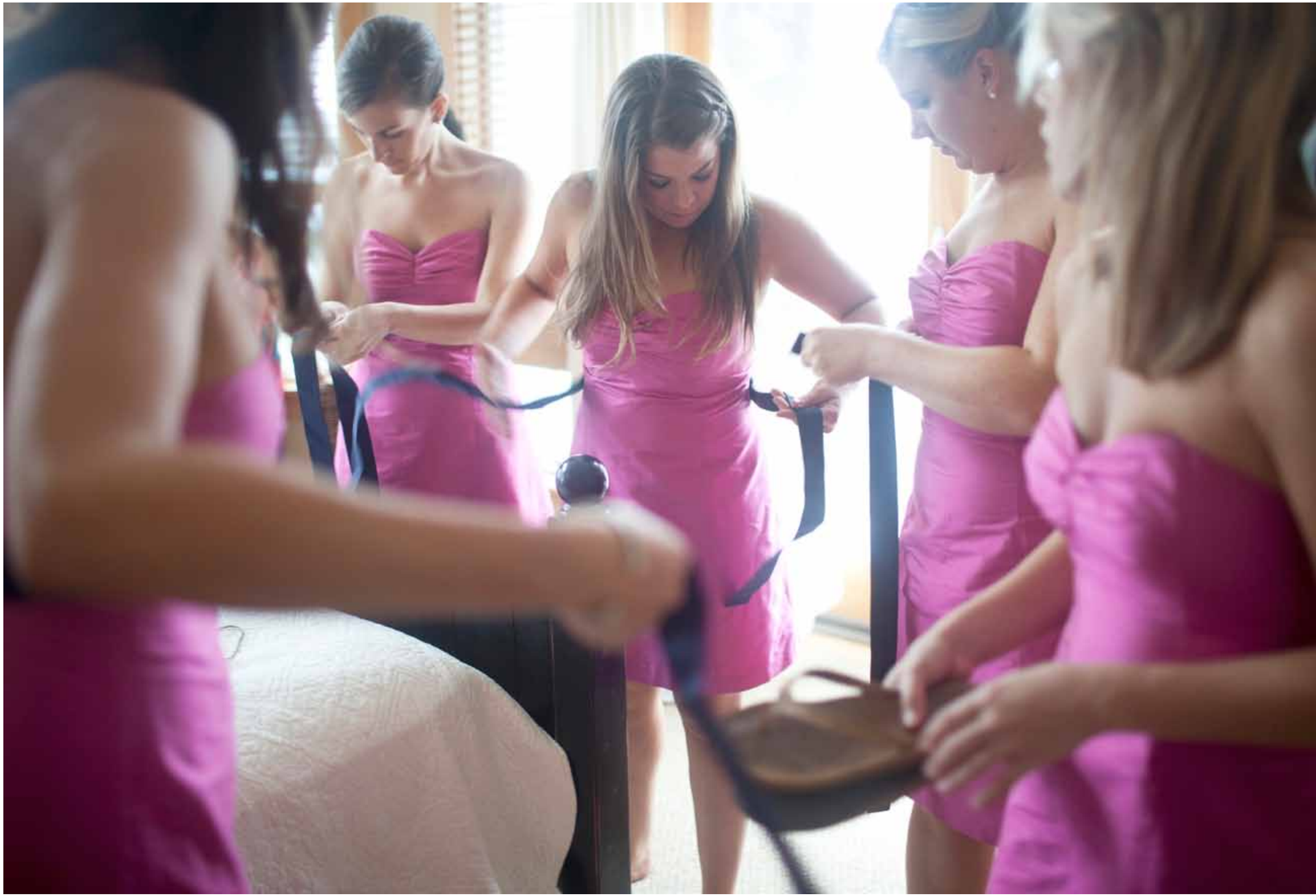
Your soon to be husband,
Robby



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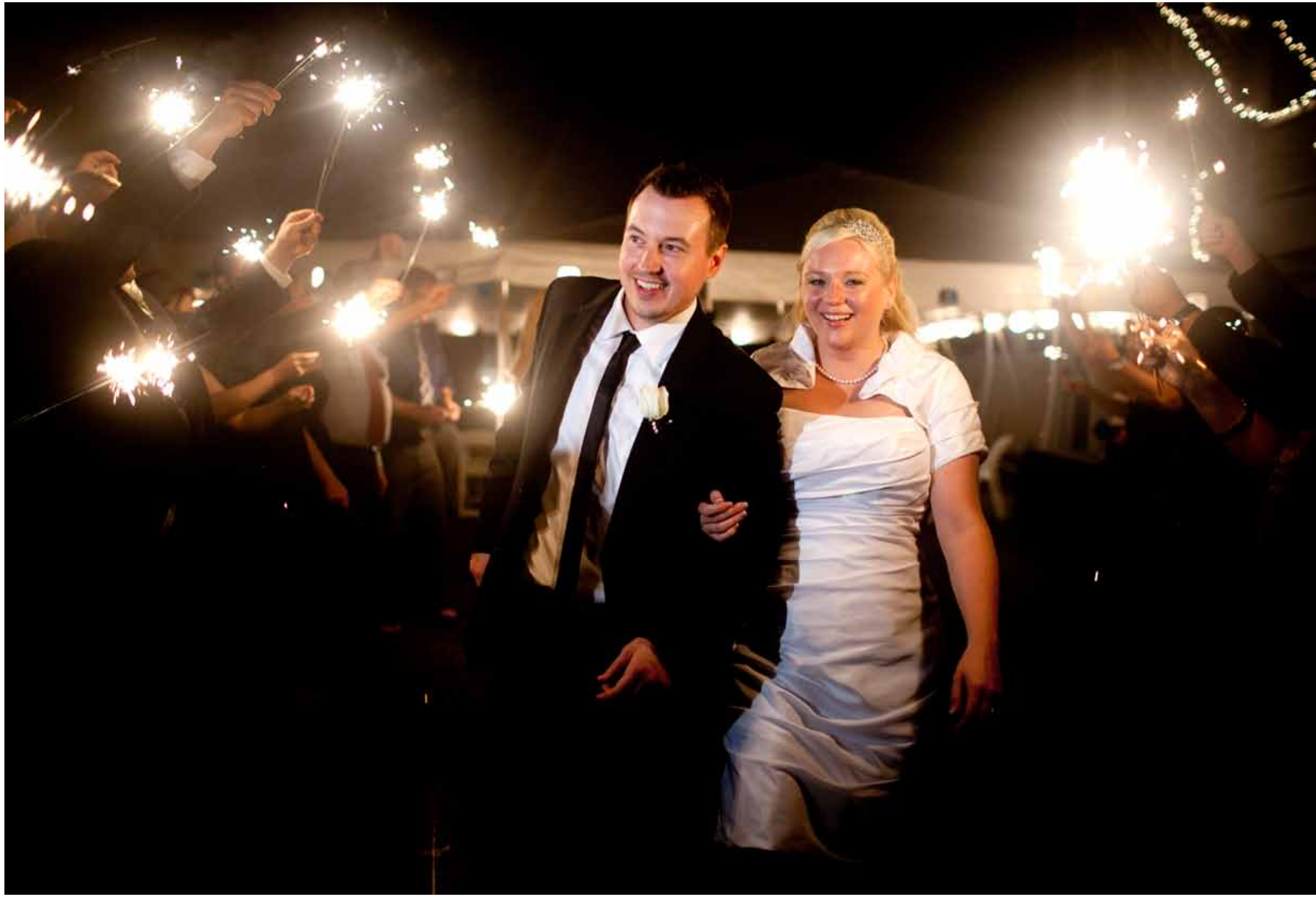

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